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SUBJECT: INTERNAL OPPOSITION TO HAMDI

1. WHILE SECURITY MEASURES IN CITY OF SANA HAVE NOT NOTICEABLY INCREASED, A SERIES OF LOUD BUT HARMLESS EXPLOSIONS AROUND CITY IN LAST TEN DAYS HAVE CAUSED PEOPLE TO ASK IF NEW WAR OF NERVES HAS STARTED AGAINST GOVERNMENT. ONE LARGE BOMB WAS DETONATED LAST WEEK NEAR THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR, ANOTHER NEAR THE PARATROOP CAMP AND THIRD INSIDE RPT INSIDE MILITARY HEADQUARTERS COMPOUND. A FEW SMALLER BLASTS HAVE OCCURED IN THE CITY.

2 AS IN THE PAST, WHEN THESE CAMPAIGNS OF BOMBINGS LASTED FOR MONTHS, NO DAMAGE WAS DONE BY THE EXPLOSIONS AND NO ONE HAS BEEN HURT. MOREOVER, AS IN PAST NO ONE HAS REALLY GOOD EVIDENCE FOR VARIOUS ASSERTIONS THAT PERPETRATORS MAY COME FROM LEFT, RIGHT OR CENTER. ONE RELIABLE SOURCE TOLD ME TODAY, HOWEVER, THAT SOME ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE AND LINKS ESTABLISHED TO NORTHERN TRIBES.

3. COMMENT: BOMBINGS COULD BE BEGINNING OF NEW PSYCHOLOGICAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST HAMDI REGIME, BUT WE DOUBT IT WILL GO FAR. HAMDI IS VERY WELL ESTAB-
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LISHED AND IF HE HAS CAUGHT PERPETRATORS, HE WILL GET BROAD SUPPORT IN DEALING WITH THEM HARSHLY.
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